



Part 1 In-depth Reading



Suggested reading time: 10 mins

Smartie is reading an article in his school magazine.

Name of the magazine

Spring Issue

Issue

Long River School Magazine

Author

6B Hayden Lam

Help the Endangered Animals

Recently, Mr So has shown our class a documentary called *Save the Endangered Animals*. From the documentary, we have learnt that over 100 million animals are killed each year! Sadly, **so many wonderful species** are becoming endangered because of what humans have done. Mr So also shared with us how to save these animals. There is a lot we can do for them!

I want to raise public awareness of animal protection because **so many people** do not know about the harm humans have brought to animals. I am an ocean lover. It is shocking to me that there will soon be no reef fish left in the sea! **Therefore**, we need to stop catching them and selling them in restaurants. **Unless** we remove shark fin soup from restaurant menus, sharks will become extinct soon. Besides hunting, we also need to stop destroying animals' habitats. We dump **so much rubbish** every day. Many more ocean animals can be killed by eating the floating food packaging and straws in the ocean **unless** we use fewer plastic and **foam products**.

Animals on land definitely need our help too. Hunters keep hunting elephants and rhinos for their tusks. They will keep killing animals **unless** we stop using animal products such as ivory chopsticks and crocodile skin handbags. Also, pandas will become extinct **unless** we stop destroying bamboo forests.

Endangered animals deserve protection. Please take action before it is too late!

Title

- Catchy
- CAPITALISE the first letters (except for articles and prepositions, e.g. 'the', 'of')

Introduction

Why are you writing this article?

Body

- Include a topic sentence in each paragraph to tell the main idea
- Add supporting details based on real facts

Conclusion

Restate the most important message to readers

LEARN THIS SKILL

A magazine article can be in the first-person point of view. Also, you may include some **opinion words** to show your opinions, e.g. 'shocking', 'sadly', 'definitely', 'hopefully', 'unfortunately', etc.

ABC Choose the Best Answers

- This magazine article is about _____. **Title + Conclusion**
 - A. taking action to save endangered animals
 - B. watching a documentary on endangered animals
 - C. donating to charities which protect endangered animals
 - D. buying products that are made from animals
- What does Hayden ask the readers to do in paragraphs 2 and 3? **Body**
 - A. Stop eating shark fin soup
 - B. Stop buying ivory products
 - C. Use fewer plastic bags and straws
 - D. All of the above

? Fill in the Blanks

- What is the most important message Hayden gives to readers? **Conclusion**
It is important to _____ to _____
_____ before it is too late.
- When can Smartie read the magazine article? **Issue**
He can read it in _____.
- The verb ' _____ ' in the article means 'should be given'. **Word choice**

🔍 Know More about the Structure

Match the content to the correct part of the magazine article.

A. Introduction

B. Body

C. Conclusion

- A documentary shows that many animals are killed each year and many species are becoming endangered.
- Hunting and destroying animals' habitats are the reasons why animals have become endangered.
- Hayden Lam advised the public to take action immediately to protect the endangered animals.
- Many sea animals and land animals are becoming endangered. We need to protect them.

Part 2 Fun Text Grammar



Suggested finishing time: 10 mins



Magic Grammar Points

a We can use '**unless**' to state conditions and '**therefore**' to show results.

Chris can't get good results	unless he works hard.
Unless she apologises,	I won't forgive her.
It is raining.	Therefore , we can't have a picnic.



Add a comma while putting 'Unless' or 'Therefore' at the beginning of a sentence.

Ex. Smartie is reading some information about environmental protection. Fill in the blanks with '**unless**' or '**therefore**'.

1. Landfills in Hong Kong will soon be filled up _____ we use fewer disposable products, including plastic forks, plates and cups.
2. _____ we replace tissues with handkerchieves, the number of trees we need to cut down will continue to increase.
3. Water and electricity are valuable resources. _____, we should never leave water taps and air-conditioners on if we are not using them.
4. It takes cleaners a lot of time to sort our rubbish. _____, we should put cans, paper and plastic bottles in the correct recycling bins.
5. The residents will continue to suffer from light pollution _____ there are regulations on the use of neon lights in the nearby commercial area.
6. Busy traffic on roads causes noise and air pollution. _____, we should consider using public transport whenever possible.
7. _____ we work very hard to protect our environment, some beautiful scenery may no longer be seen in the future.



b We can use 'so many' and 'so much' to talk about a very large amount of things.

Zoe has a toothache because she eats	so many	candies. (countable noun)
My little brother always makes	so much	noise. (uncountable noun)

Ex. Fill in the blanks with 'so many' or 'so much'. Colour the boxes with the uncountable nouns.

_____	_____	_____
waste	food packaging	foam
_____	_____	_____
running mice	leftover food	disposable utensils
_____	_____	_____
empty bottles	traffic smoke	used tissues

The coloured boxes form the letter _____.



Amazing Vocabulary

Ex. What are the following modern technologies that make our life easier but bring damage to the ozone layer? Match their names to the correct pictures.

extinguishers pesticides aerosol sprays foam products



1. _____

2. _____



3. _____

4. _____





Part 3 Getting to Write

 Suggested finishing time: 15 mins

Brain Boost

Smartie is thinking of the harm people do to Chinese white dolphins. He wants to write a magazine article to talk about how to save them. Help him complete the table with the words given.

dump	foam	land	little
reclamation	run out of food	set up	water pollution

<p>Introduction</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A news article in the newspaper • What are Chinese white dolphins and where are they found?
<p>Body (Paragraph 2) Problem 1</p> 	<p>Problem: ① _____</p> <p>What people do: ② _____ rubbish into the sea, e.g. plastic bags, ③ _____ products</p> <p>Result: fish become ill and die after eating the rubbish → the dolphins ④ _____</p> <p>Action: stop dumping waste into the sea</p>
<p>Body (Paragraph 3) Problem 2</p> 	<p>Problem: ⑤ _____ and other massive constructions</p> <p>What people do: turn sea into ⑥ _____ ; create a lot of waste in the sea</p> <p>Result: there is ⑦ _____ clear water for the dolphins to live in</p>
<p>Conclusion</p>	<p>Action: ⑧ _____ conservation areas → stop being selfish and take action to save their lives</p>





Let's Practise

Smartie is now writing the magazine article. Complete the magazine article below with the help of the table.

March ① _____

Long River School Magazine

Save the ② _____ 6B ③ _____ So

I have read a news article about Chinese white dolphins in the newspaper. Chinese white dolphins have special colours. They used to be found easily in local waters. ④ _____, their number has greatly reduced in recent years.

Environmentalists believe that Chinese white dolphins' habitat is destroyed because of serious ⑤ _____. People dump ⑥ _____ rubbish every day. We can always see ⑦ _____ in the sea. A lot of fish become ill and die after eating them. Dolphins and other sea creatures will soon run out of food ⑧ _____ we stop polluting their habitat.

Reclamation and constructions also contaminate the sea. We all know that there is not enough land in Hong Kong. ⑨ _____, the government opts for reclamation to turn sea into land. Besides, there are ⑩ _____ massive constructions such as the Hong Kong-Zhuhai-Macao Bridge. ⑪ _____, these human activities generate ⑫ _____ waste in the sea. There will not be any clear water for dolphins to live in ⑬ _____ conservation areas for them.

Dolphins are our friends. They are highly intelligent and friendly to humans. ⑭ _____, we should stop being selfish and ⑮ _____!

Who writes this magazine article?

What do you capitalise?

Write a five-letter opinion word here.

Fill in each blank with two words.

Include 'so many' or 'so much' in your answer.

Which word do you write, 'therefore' or 'unless'?

Include 'so' in your answer.

Change 'unfortunate' to the correct form.

Fill in two words to refer to a large amount.

Write four words here.